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during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 4. Prevailing diseases, malarial in character. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: September 24, steamship *Sibun*; crew, 28; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. September 27, steamship *Managua*; crew, 16; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none; steamship *S. Oteri*; crew, 35; passengers from this port, 2; passengers in transit, 7; pieces of baggage disinfected, 7. September 28, steamship *Bergenseren*; crew, 17; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,

*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

#### CANADA.

*Inspection of immigrants at Quebec during the week ended October 5, 1901.*

QUEBEC, CANADA, October 5, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended October 5, there were inspected 23 immigrants; passed, 20; detained, 3.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,

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#### CHINA.

*Report from Hongkong—Condition of plague.*

HONGKONG, CHINA, September 3, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the abstract of bills of health issued at this port during the week ended August 31, 1901. The usual disinfection procedures were carried on at the station during the week. There were 2 rejections because of fever.

Three cases of plague and 3 deaths were reported during the week. The total cases of plague thus far this year are therefore 1,723, with 1,622 deaths. No other quarantinable diseases were reported.

Respectfully,

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#### COLOMBIA.

*Report from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.*

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, October 2, 1901.

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended October 1, 1901:

Population according to census, not obtainable. Number of cases

and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 2. Prevailing disease, malarial fever. Of the 2 deaths mentioned, 1 was due to malarial fever and exposure; the other, cause not known. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, fairly good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: September 25, steamship *Harald*; crew, 19; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. September 26, steamship *Simon Dumois*; crew, 16; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. September 28, steamship *John Wilson*; crew, 18; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

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#### COSTA RICA.

##### *Reports from Port Limon—Fruit port.*

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *October 5, 1901.*

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended October 5, 1901:

Present estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, cases, 8; deaths, 3; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 3. Prevailing diseases, malarial and yellow fevers. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, not good. During the month of September, 24 cases of yellow fever with 16 deaths therefrom were reported in Port Limon and vicinity. Four cases on hand to-day—2 convalescent and 2 very sick.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: September 29, steamship *Stillwater*; crew, 27; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. September 30, steamship *Adirondack*; crew, 39; passengers from this port, 13; passengers in transit, 9; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. October 1, steamship *Floridian*; crew, 43; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. October 2, steamship *Beverly*; crew, 37; passengers from this port, 2; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. October 4, steamship *Hispania*; crew, 23; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. October 5, steamship *Venus*; crew, 26; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

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